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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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| IN RE WORLD TRADE CENTER LOWER | : | 21 MC 102 (AKH) |
| MANHATTAN DISASTER SITE LITIGATION | : | |
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| MARIA DE LA CRUZ, | : | 07-CV-04464-AKH |
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| Plaintiff, | : | NOTICE OF ADOPTION |
| | : | OF ANSWER |
| - against - | : | TO MASTER COMPLAINT |
| | : | BY MERRILL LYNCH |
| 80 LAFAYETTE ASSOCIATES, LLC, <i>et al.</i> , | : | |
| | : | ELECTRONICALLY FILED |
| Defendants. | : | |
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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT Defendant Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. (“Merrill Lynch”), as and for its responses to the allegations set forth in the Complaint by Adoption (Check-Off Complaint) Related to the Master Complaint filed in the above-referenced action, hereby adopts Merrill Lynch’s Answer to Master Complaint, dated August 3, 2007, which was filed in the matter of *In re World Trade Center Lower Manhattan Disaster Site Litigation*, 21 MC 102 (AKH).

WHEREFORE, Merrill Lynch demands judgment dismissing the above-captioned action as against it, together with its costs and disbursements and for such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

Dated: New York, New York
September 14, 2007

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